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Ms. Nancy Rumrill  
US Environmental Protection Agency  
WTR-9  
75 Hawthorne St.  
San Francisco, CA 94105

Re: Gunnison Project UIC application

Dear Ms. Rumrill:

During our telephone conversation yesterday, a question arose regarding Attachment R-3. The sentence in question, which is under the section titled "Power Costs" says, "Water supply costs for rinsing are based on the existing wells at the Johnson Camp Mine and the estimated power cost to pump 400 gallons per minute (gpm) divided by the flow rate requirement to accomplish the rinsing." EPA's consultant, James Walker, noted that the 400 gpm was inconsistent with page 16 in Attachment A-2 which says, "Make-up water needs for Gunnison will not be as great as the water supply needed for the JCM operations (200 gpm for Gunnison versus 600 gpm for JCM)."

In fact, the sentences quoted above are referring to two different flows. The first flow of 400 gpm is for rinsing, and the second flow of 200 gpm is referring to makeup water. There is no inconsistency.

We are available to discuss this with you and Mr. Walker if it would be helpful.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Alison H. Jones", followed by a horizontal line.

Alison H. Jones  
Sr. Hydrogeologist